

OFFICE OF BASIC AND GEOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE

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OBI ATLAS PROGRAM

1. An atlas production program is hereby initiated. The program will be a cooperative effort between Cartography Division and Geography Division with very substantial contributions from other Offices of the Directorate, particularly OER. The production goal is to publish two atlas-type publications per year.

2. The first product will be an Atlas on Soviet Agriculture on which preliminary work has already begun. A second atlas is herewith initiated on the Indian Ocean Basin. A third atlas, on the Issues of Europe, is under consideration. The Europe atlas, if undertaken, will be a joint endeavor with OER, OCI, and OSR. In addition, Cartography Division -- with help from Geography Division -- will update the 1969 China Administrative Atlas. Target dates for publication are as follows:

- a. Soviet Agriculture Atlas -- May 1974.
- b. Indian Ocean Atlas -- June 1974.
- c. Issues of Europe Atlas -- Summer 1974, if initiated.
- d. China Administrative Atlas (new edition) -- February 1974.

3. Cartography Division is undergoing a reorganization, part of which is to prepare for the most efficient production of atlases.
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4. [REDACTED] is designated Atlas Program Manager. He will have charge of all aspects of atlas production, including coordination, design, content, and substance, and will report at least semi-monthly to D/BGI for project review. In the event that major differences should arise, they will be referred to D/BGI for resolution.

5. The core team of cartographers and designers consists of:
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[REDACTED] Team Captain

[REDACTED] layout and design

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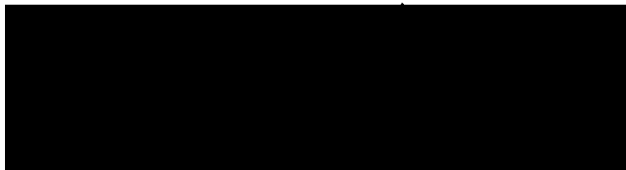
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STATINTL For the Soviet Agriculture Atlas, [REDACTED] will be the principal geographer on the production team; for the Indian Ocean Atlas, [REDACTED] will be the geographer. Additional geographers will be designated to work on these and subsequent atlases as the program progresses. A text editor will be assigned to the team at a later date.

6. The atlas program will place a very heavy burden on us. I know that all involved will extend their best effort and full cooperation.

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